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In re application of: Joseph R. Hedrick, et al.

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MECHANISMS IN A GAMING MACHINE**

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OFFICIAL**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
(37 CFR §1.114)**

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on June 14, 2004. (Any unentered amendment referred to above will be entered.)
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed (for the Examiner's convenience)
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit/Declaration
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- iv. ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
- iv. ☐ Other _____

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2. Fees: *(The RCE fee is required at the time the RCE is filed.)***Fee Calculation (37 CFR §1.16)**

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- ☒ a. Applicant hereby petitions for a 2 month extension of time.
- ☒ b. Applicant believes that no (additional) extension of time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant hereby petitions that such an extension be granted and authorizes the Director to charge the required fees for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.
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